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Country/entity Nepal

Region Asia and Pacific

Agreement name Agreement between the GoN and the Adivasi Tharu Community agitating in the Terai and

Nepal Adivasi Janajati Mahsangha

Date 14 Mar 2009

Agreement status Multiparty signed/agreed

Interim Yes

arrangement

Agreement/conflict Intrastate/local conflict

level

Nepalese Insurgency (1996 - 2006)

Inspired by the Maoist insurgency in Peru in the early 1990s, the Communist Party of Nepal (Maoist) – CPN(M) – declared war on the Nepalese government in February 1996. A key demand was the transformation of Nepal from a monarchy into a 'People's Republic'. Following a pronounced Maoist military strategy, the CPN(M) focused their insurgency on the rural areas. They gained significantly in strength and it took heavy international military support to stabilize the Nepalese government in 2002. After public protests escalated in Kathmandu in 2004, the Nepalese King Gyanendra took authoritarian control over the government. In the cities, a strong popular movement for democracy emerged, forcing the government into fast progressing peace negations in 2006 that concluded with the signing of a Comprehensive Peace Accord on 21 November 2006.

Close

Nepalese Insurgency (1996 - 2006)

Stage Framework/substantive - partial

Conflict nature Government

Peace process Nepal related-local processes

Parties Sd.

Laxman Tharu

Talks Team Coordinator

Tharuhat Samyukta Sangharsha Samiti and Adivasi Sangha

Sd.

Baburam Chaudhary
Talks Team Coordinator

Nepal Loktantrik Tharu Sangha

Sd.

Rajkumar Lekhi

Talks Team Coordinator

General Secretary

Tharu Kalyankari Sabha

Sd.

Pasang Sherpa Chairperson

Nepal Adivasi Janajati Mahasangha

Sd.

Janardhan Sharma

'Prabhakar'

Talks Team Coordinator

Minister

Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction Government of Nepal

Sd.

Indrajeet Tharu

Talks Team Coordinator

General Secretary

Tharu Rastriya Mukti Morcha Nepal

Third parties -

Description An agreement between the Governmet of Nepal, the Adivasi Tharu Community, and the

Nepal Adivasi Janajati Mahsangha to amend the Interim Constitution

Agreement document

NP_090314_GoN and Adivasi Tharu.pdf (opens in new tab) | Download PDF

Local agreement properties

Process type Formal structured process

Rationale

While there was no one primary institution, or procedure driving these agreements, it was formal. UN Nepal and Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction archives points out that all the governments between 2007-2010, formed dialogue teams led/coordinated by the Minister of Peace and Reconstruction, despite the Ministers changing along as per the shifts in the government coalition. A dialogue team was set up by the Maoist-led government, which won the elections in April 2008. This dialogue team was again led by the Minister for Peace and Reconstruction, Mr Janardhan Sharma. This team pursued dialogue with the team of Adivasi Tharu Community agitating in the Terai and Nepal Adivasi Janajati Mahsangha to reach this agreement.

Is there a Yes documented link to a national peace process?

Link to national rationale

The demands sought to strengthen the provisions on inclusion in the Constitution process: articulated making process. This agreement sought to ensure that distinct identities of the varied marginalised groups were categorised in the constitutional and legal provisions. It also sought that the government remain committed to Inclusion related provisions in the Interim Constitution.

Name of Locale Terai

Nature of Locale Region

GPS Lat/Long (DD) 27.470000, 84.613747

Participant type Central state actor

Local armed group

Mediator, facilitator No mention of mediator or similar or similar

Local issues

Ritual/prayer and

No specific mention.

process (including use of scripture)

Grievance List [Summary] (1) Non-inclusion and lack of recognition of indigenous nationalities,

Madheshis, Dalits, Muslims, minority communities in the country, including the

indigenous Tharus of the Terai

Cattle rustling/

banditry

No specific mention.

Social cover No specific mention.